



Docket No. 12969

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bitler

Group Art Unit: 1714

Serial No.: 09/398,377

Examiner: Szekely, P.

Filing Date: 09/17/99

Title: Polymeric Thickeners for Oil-Containing Compositions

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

10 Washington, DC 20231

REPLY

Sir,

15 This paper is filed in reply to the Office Action mailed Feb. 6, 2002.

Reexamination, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the Amendments and Remarks below.

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AMENDMENTS

Please amend this application as follows.

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In accordance with 37 CFR 121 (b)(1) and (2), Applicant requests replacement of a paragraph in accordance with the instructions below. Attached hereto is a separate paper entitled

Version of Amended Paragraphs of the Specification with Markings to show

Changes requested by the accompanying Reply, filed in accordance with 37 CFR

30 1.121(b)(1) and (2).

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